




TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH
AUSTIN, TEXAS
INTER-OFFICE MEMORANDUM

TO: Herman Horn, Chief, Bureau of Regional/Local Health Operations
Regional Directors
Directors, Local Health Department
Directors, Independent WIC Local Agencies

FROM: Bob Kissel, Acting Chief 
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DATE: June 16, 2000

SUBJECT: Income Guidelines Update

We are one step closer to implementing the new Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants, and Children (WIC) income guidelines. The Texas Department of Health's Board of Health (BOH) and the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) have approved revised WIC Policy: CS: 03.5, Texas WIC Income Guidelines. On June 23, 2000, the income policy will be taken to the BOH for adoption.

Once adopted, the new income guidelines may be implemented. We will meet federal regulations by implementing the new levels on July 1, 2000. The new income guidelines will be in effect until June 30, 2001. A revised income policy will be sent out as soon as the adoption is final.

It is imperative that ALL of your agency's computers connect successfully with the State Agency so that the revised electronic income table can be downloaded in time to be used on July 1st. Please be sure to contact WIC Automation Help Desk staff at their new number, 1-888-922-4484, should you have problems connecting.

If you have any questions regarding the policy, please contact Anita Ramos, Director of the WIC Policy and Communication Section, at (512) 406-0711, extension 218.